

Abstract

Hand-held Image Capture Apparatus

5 An image capture apparatus (1) comprises: a combined electronic camera (2) and swipe scanner (4), the electronic camera (2) having an associated optical system (8) and detector array (12) for remote capturing of a first image (46) and the swipe scanner (4) having an
10 associated optical system (28) and detector array (34) for swipe capturing of a second image (38); and a data storage means arranged to store the first image (46) and the second image (38) in association with each other. The electronic camera (2) may be a moderate resolution colour
15 camera, and the swipe scanner (4) may have a grey-scale detector (34) array capable of scanning an object at a higher resolution than the camera (2). A display (6) is provided so that both images (38, 46) can be viewed separately in association with each other, or combined
20 into a combination image, which has colour information from the camera (2) to colourize higher resolution pixels from the scanner (4).

Figure 1